

**MINUTES
OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
FEBRUARY 19, 2013
5:35 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. in the Community Room of City Hall. Answering rollcall were Members Bennett, Brindle, Sprague, Swenson and Mayor Hovland. Member Sprague entered the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Art Center Board Members attending the meeting were: Hafed Bouassida, Barbara LaValleur, Dana Lappin, Ray Meifert, Colin Nelson, Kitty O'Dea, John Swon and William McCabe

Edina City Staff attending the meeting: Michael Frey, Art Center Director; Jordan Gilgenbach, Communications Coordinator; Ann Kattreh, Parks and Recreation Director; Ari Klugman, City Manager Intern; Debra Mangen, City Clerk; and Scott Neal, City Manager.

Art Center Director Frey led off the presentation updating the Council on the status of the Art Center Board recommendations from the Sutton & Associates' Study and the Art Center's mission statement. He turned the presentation over to members of the Board who reviewed: transitioning from an Art Center Board to the Arts & Culture Commission, the 3rd Annual Edina Film & Music Festival scheduled for July 26 and 27, 2013 and the four issues identified by the Arts and Culture Working Group. The issues were: 1) community space for the arts in Edina; 2) review and update of Edina's Code of Ordinances to make them supportive of artists working in the community; 3) art communication and awareness; and 4) strong connection to the arts and artists from the residents and leaders of the City of Edina through awareness and funding.

The Council and Art Board discussed many aspects of the issues. It was suggested that staff have the necessary ordinance amendments drafted to transition from the Art Center Board to the Arts and Culture Commission, but to keep the size of the commission the same. The findings of the Art and Cultural Working Group should be presented in writing by April of 2013.

Mayor Hovland declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, February 19, 2013.

James B. Hovland, Mayor